

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
Level III Enrichment

2021-22

WELCOME!

Presentation Outcomes

- To learn a little about me, *Mrs. Maertens*
- To learn about the K-5 Enrichment Program
- To learn about Level III Enrichment Classes

Mrs. Maertens

Lora Maertens

FAMILY

My husband, Sean, and I have been married for 8 years. We have a daughter, Emma (5), a son, Evan (2.5), and cat, Cloudy.



More About Mrs. Maertens

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- B.A. from Gustavus Adolphus College: Major in Mathematics, Minors in Management and Sociology
- Education License through Augsburg College
- M.A. in Education from Augsburg College
- Licensed to teach grades K-6 and 5-8 Math

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 5th Grade and 6th-8th Grade Math at St. Joseph's in Rosemount
- 1st Grade at St. John's in Vermillion
- 5th Grade at Cannon Falls Elementary

K-5 Enrichment Program Services Model

Levels of Service (LoS)

(Treffinger, et al)

Level I = ALL Learners

Providing foundational skills and tools

Every student, occurs in the homeroom classroom.

Level II = MANY Learners

Engaging and verifying interests

Rotating groups, dependent on the needs of learners and determined by homeroom teacher. May be push-in to classrooms or small group pull-out. Mrs. Maertens teaches Level II to K-3.

Level III = SOME Learners

Meeting the need for alternative opportunities

Qualifying students, determined by a committee through data. Replaces homeroom class. 4th and 5th grade offers math and reading, taught by Mrs. Maertens.

Level IV = FEW Learners

Need for highly individualized services

Rare, may be cause for grade skipping.

Goals of Level III Enrichment Classes

- To focus on grade level targets (I can statements) and underlying concepts (Big Ideas)
- To dive deeper
- To build on students' learning strengths
- To cultivate a “growth mindset.”
- To practice the 4Cs compassionately - 5Cs
- To integrate technology

Level III Enrichment Classes

Level III Math Enrichment

- **4th & 5th Grade Level 3 Math:**
 - Taught by Mrs. Maertens and replaces the homeroom math class.
 - Grades are entered by Mrs. Maertens in a separate section of report cards.
 - No math work or homework from homeroom, only from Enrichment math.

Level III Reading Enrichment

- **4th & 5th Grade Level 3 Reading:**
 - Taught by Mrs. Maertens and replaces the homeroom Reading class (not spelling or grammar).
 - Grades are entered by Mrs. Maertens in a separate section of report cards.
 - No reading work or homework from homeroom, only from Enrichment reading.

Level III Enrichment Curriculum

- **4th & 5th Grade Level 3 Math:**

- Singapore Math
 - Textbook, Workbook, Intensive Practice Book
- 180 Days of Math
 - Daily Math practice, pushing into the next grade level.

- **4th & 5th Grade Level 3 Reading:**

- Variety of Novels
 - 4th: Holes, Wrinkle in Time, Non-Fiction Writing, Number the Stars, Circa Now
 - 5th: 1st & 2nd Narnia books, Wonder, Mystery Choice books, The Giver, I Am Malala
- Greek & Latin Roots
- Daily Journal Prompts

Homework & Assessments

Homework

- Students are assigned homework most days. Usually, students have some time during class to work on their assignment
- Students are expected to complete all homework assignments on time.
- Students are allowed the number of days absent in which to turn in make-up work.

Assessments

- Tests are a measure of what students have learned. Students will be given the opportunity to make corrections or retake any tests if they are dissatisfied with their scores. Corrections will count as +0.5 points back towards their score, and test retakes will be given the better of the two scores.
- Tests also provide information. A student's score on a test helps inform the teacher what needs to be re-taught or taught next. Additional teaching may occur on subjects if scores indicate it is needed.

Grade 4 and 5 Grading Scale

A= 93-100 - Consistently demonstrates strong performance

B= 86-92 - Frequently demonstrates strong performance

C=76-85 - Meets expectations

D=65-75 - Working below expectations

F =Below 65 - Demonstrates poor performance; needs
improvement

Level III Enrichment Grade Requirement

- The Level III Enrichment minimum grade requirement is a “B.”

Student-Led Fall & Spring Conferences

Students prepare for and lead their Fall and Spring conferences. This is an intentional, educational practice that is integrated into Level III Math and Reading Enrichment classes in order to increase student efficacy. Students prepare for conferences by setting SMART goals and evaluating their work, picking items that each student thinks reflect her/his best work. Parents and students will receive more information about how these student-led conferences will take place closer to conferences ensuring COVID-19 safety measures.

The 5 Cs - Skills for the 21st century

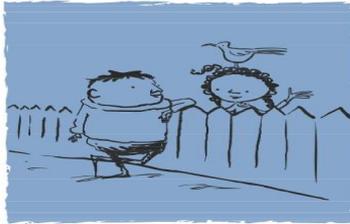
The fifth “C” is Compassion



We're taking teaching and learning

Above & Beyond

Today's students are moving beyond the basics and embracing the 4C's — “super skills” for the 21st century!



Communication

Sharing thoughts, questions, ideas, and solutions



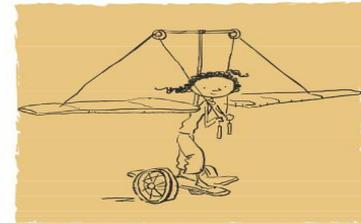
Collaboration

Working together to reach a goal — putting talent, expertise, and smarts to work



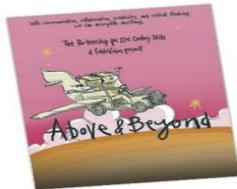
Critical Thinking

Looking at problems in a new way, linking learning across subjects & disciplines



Creativity

Trying new approaches to get things done equals innovation & invention



For more 4C resources from the Partnership for 21st Century Skills, including the animated film ABOVE & BEYOND by Peter H. Reynolds & FableVision, journey to www.p21.org/4Cs



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My Expectations for Students

“Be who you are, and be that well!” *St. Francis De Sales*

Be curious! Be kind! Be civil!

Ask questions! Ask for help!

Learn to advocate for yourself.

Pace yourself and stay organized, turn-in homework on time and be prepared for class.

Critically think, **C**reatively think, **C**ommunicate, and **C**ollaborate **C**ompassionately **5Cs**

Celebrate your successes, as well as, others' successes.

Persevere in your challenges.

Have a growth mindset!

Specific ways you can help your child be successful in Level III Enrichment

- Keep in mind that fourth grade is a big transition year.
- Keep in mind that fifth grade is a year for students to prepare for middle school
- Create a daily school planner and homework check-in
- Set up a consistent homework place and time
- Open communication
- Gradually release more responsibility to your child
- Celebrate successes!

Contact Information

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Questions?

- Any questions? Please email me!
- Feel free to contact me as questions arise.

THANK YOU!

Thank you for Viewing!

I LOOK FORWARD TO A FANTASTIC YEAR!